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The 11-term Congressman was the keynote speaker at a luncheon this week hosted by the **United States Commission on International Religious Freedom** where he urged a group of permanent representatives to the U.N. from countries around the world to seek alternative methods to promote religious tolerance. New laws curtailing speech are not the answer. Instead, the implementation of existing laws fighting violence and religious intolerance is encouraged, and cross-faith understanding and respect for human rights and freedom of expression should be the lynchpin of revamped efforts to protect religious rights.